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Sheep Mats. Worth \$2.50.

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59c, 75c and 91c each.

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will guarantee you a bargain

in one of these carpets to fit it.

Measure your rooms and we

1 One of these carpets to fit it.

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TAPINTRY BRUSSETS.

SIZE. WORTH. NOW.

SIZE. WORTH.

S ft.3 in. x 19 ft.6 in.\$22.00

10 ft.6 in. x 14 ft.... 36.00

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SIZE. WORTH.

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AXMINSTERS.

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10 ft.6 in. x 13 ft.11 in.\$45.00 \$28.00 \$

SIZE. WORTH. NOW. 10 ft.6 in. x 13 ft.9 in.\$75.00 \$45.00

We're closing out all of last

28 Good Quality Kensington Art Squares at these prices:

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> And a big job lot of Smyrna Rugs that we bought up at our own figure. The difference between their worth and the prices we're asking is remark-

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18 in. x 26 in. \$2.00
28 in. x 54 in. 4.50
36 in. x 72 in. 8.00
7 ft. 6 in. x10 ft. 6 in. 34.00

Scotch Wilton. SIZE. WORTH NOW.
22 in. x 48 in. \$1.25 \$0.75
27 in. x 90 in. 1.50 1.90
86 in. x 72 in. 2.50 1.25 Kelim Rugs.

WORTH, NOW, Satin Jute Rugs. Fur Rugs. White and Gray Fur Rugs, 28x64 in. Worth from \$2.50 to \$3.00. Reduced to

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The prescription of one of Washington's oldest and most eminent physicians. It instantly relieves and permanently cures RHEUMATISM, NEURAL-GIA, GOUT, SCIAFICA, LUMBAGO and all aches and pains due to URIC ACID poison. It purifies the blood, stimulates and restores the kidneys, improves the health and gives tone and vigor to the entire system. Price, \$1 per bottle; trial size, 50c. KOLB FHARMACY, 488 7th st. n.w., cor. E. se9-17d

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It shels a beautiful soft light over everything, and beautifies a house wonderfully.

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*If it's in the Palais Royal ad. it's so."

Imitation is the sincerest flattery—but it may prove harmful. The Palais Royal Autumn "Opening" and its Souvenir Prices came after months of preparation. It took but a few moments of time for others to copy—in advertisements. You h ve told us the difference between the genuine and the imitation. You have opened our eyes in having

"If it's in the Palais Royal ad. it's so." Please remember this, though exaggeration be as rife in the adver-

tising columns as it is in those devoted to political news.

The Palais Royal Millinery.

The parlors are on the second floor, and the completed gathering of imported hats and bonnets is here. Those willing and able to pay from \$15 to \$35 for pattern hats are promised "a revelation." Those desiring to pay less may select from a stock of materials and trimmings as large as in other three establishments in Washington and pay the same prices as charged by "the jobbers" to the merchants. We couple the services of the head trimmer, late with the leading millinery house of New York.

French Felt Hats, 85c.

It has been quite an idea of ours to make up our short lengths in Body Brussels, Moquet, Wiltons and Arminster Carpets into Rugs of one and a haif yards long and sell them at ABOUT HALF WHAT THE CARPETS ARE REALLY WORTH.

We get orders from EVERYWHERE for these Rugs. \$1.25 & \$1.50 qualities. Comparisons will prove to your entire satisfaction that the best 85 cents, are identical to those else-A word about these popular (9) Rugs. We have several hunyou choice of scratch and smooth yard, will prove not less a surprise to dred made up Carpets, ranging from 10 to 65 yards, at

felt, in black, brown and navy.

Brocaded Ribbons, 25C.

Like those at 79c. The best Brocaded Ribbons, in all French Felt Fedora Hats, here at the newest effects are here at 59 cents and 79 cents yard. The marvelwhere at \$1.25 and \$1.50. We offer ous imitations of them at only 25c

you than they at first did to us.

Monday's Greatest Surprise.

Wool Dress Goods, New rough styles.

Some worth 75c. Some worth \$1.

-Not allowed to mention the source of supply or give their history. However, your eyes will tell you that the latest rough effects are here and that the poorest piece is a bargain at 75c a yard.

Note the attractive color combinations—heliotrope and black, green and black, golden brown and black, navy and black. These in the rough effects. Here, too, are the Scotch mixtures, in all the latest colorings. 50c yard for choice.

IT it is easy enough for the merchants, who must think women are fools, to advertise 30c and 50c quality Dress Goods as worth 75c and \$1 a yard. Doubtless it will be done. We want you to make comparisons—and for you to learn that "If it's in the Palais Royal ad. it's so."

Regular Stocks

Best Fabrics.

Exclusive Novelties that are less yard. They are worth \$1 yard. Duin prices than current for kindred plicates of them can't be profitably dress goods.

\$1 Black Silks for **74^c.** yard.

They were made to retail at \$1 sold at less than \$1 yard.

Least Prices for Best Linings.

You'll read advertisements of Linings at a few pennies a yard, impudently claimed the best—and you'll turn to the Palais Royal's announcement with a feeling of relief and confidence. Note that we'll sell best linings with little and no profit on Monday, in the hope that you'll also buy your dress material here.

"If it's in the Palais Royal ad. it's so."

12c yard Selisia for 9c. 16c Rustle Percaline, 121c. 20c Black Back Selisia, 15c.

25c. Black Back Selisia, 20c. 16c yard Canvas for 12½c. .20c yard Canvas for 16c.

Dress Trimmings and Laces.

The writer hesitates-for here are two statements that will read like the wildest fiction. Only this explanation: The Palais Royal's cash business often enables sensational buying and selling, and "if it's in the Palais Royal advt. it's so."

At 25C yard.

Spangle and Novelty Band Trima yard. Only 25c for choice.

At 25C yard.

Black Silk Bourdon Chantilly and mings, in all the autumn colorings. heavy Black Silk Laces for cape Made to retail at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 trimming, etc., 7 to 9 inches wide. Values, 40c to 60c vard.

The 1896-97 "Onyx" Hosierv.

The Palais Royal introduced this best Black Hosiery to Washington some years since, and is today the principal distributing agency. The present window display is the largest ever seen in the United States. It has unique features, attracting much attention. The following special prices, too, for Monday, to create a quick introduction of this improved 1896-'97 "Onyx" Hose.

10c Instead of 25c.

Ladies' Improved 25c "Onyx" Hose, with double soles and high spliced heels. Autumn weight.

25c Instead of 35c.

Ladies' Best Maco Yarn Hose, heavy weight. Double soles, etc.

35c Instead of 50c. Ladies' Plain and Drop Stitch | 50c Instead of 68c.

Silk Plated Hose, also Silk Finish Lisle Hose, fancy ribs, with open work and lace effects. Ordinary and opera lengths.

\$1.49 Instead of \$1.75. Pure Silk Hose, heavy weight. Ladies who are judges of fine silk hose will recognize a rare bargain.

Stout Ladies' Hose.

Elastic and Ribbed Top Hose to Cotton and Lisle Hose, with patent | fit the stoutest woman, 25c, 35c and selvage, preventing the appearance 50c for the cotton; 50c, 75c and \$1 of those tiny holes at back seam. for the lisle hose.

Ladies' and Children's Underwear.

The autumn-winter collection is complete. In the gathering not a few "bargains" were secured-and such will be passed on to our patrons at the usual slight advance our cash business makes possible and profit-

25C for Ladies' Ribbed and Fleeced Autumn-weight Vests and Pants. gray and white, all colors. Lace trimmings, making them silk trimmings. 35c. the actual value. 49C for Ladies' Ribbed Merino Combination Suits, made to retail at 75c. Thank the dull times and pity the unfortunate manufacturer. Status and drawers, for girls and boys.

Regular Goods Less Than Prevailing Prices.

Hall's Perforated Buckskin Underwear..... American Hoslery Co.'s Underwear, 80c to \$2.25 for ladies', 50c to \$1.75 for children's garments.....Norfolk and New Brunswick Underwear, \$1 to \$1.85 for ladies', 60 to 95c for children's......"Oneita" Combination Suits, 75c to \$2.98 for ladies'; Fastblack Combination Suits for ladies, \$1.35 to \$3.25......"B. E. J." Ribbed Bal. Vests and Pants, 44c.

THE PALAIS ROYAL,

FEELING AT CANTON

Confidence in a Splendid Republican Victory Apparent.

TARIFF THE KEYNOTE FOR OCTOBER

Hanna's Fight That Has Been Made in Twelve States.

DELEGATIONS THIS MONTH

Correspondence of The Evening Star.

. CANTON, Ohio, October 3, 1896. Only a month now remains of the campaign, and there is no place where confidence in a splendid republican victory is so apparent as here in Canton. If one were to judge from Maj. McKinley's quick, elastic step and bright smile and the general happy demeanor which characterizes his every action, in spite of the strain of making sometimes thirteen and fourteen speeches a day, one could have no doubt that the major regards the fight as won and that it is simply a question of majorities. Maj. McKinley is, of course, in possession of the very latest political information from all parts of the country, and as he never allows himself to count on anything of which he is not absolutely sure, his present state of exaltation cannot but prove reassuring to his supporters everywhere.

If one were asked to speak of the most

prominent feature of the campaign as it has been fought up to the present day he would say it is now unmistakable recession

of the silver wave.

The campaign of education carried on by the republican national executive commit-tee has been the most wonderful thing of its kind ever attempted, and when, after the campaign is over, its history is written, the fact that the great American people could be so thoroughly and so quickly educated on the most complicated question in all political economy will come to be regarded as a high tribute to American civilization.

The republicans started out to fight this campaign on tariff lines, but when the popocrats reopened the question of American integrity and forced the silver question into the fight the republicans met them or their own ground, and it is now thoroughly believed at Canton that the silver people have been whipped.

Tariff the Keynote for October.

While during the month of October the republicans will be just as careful and just as vigorous in their defense of honest money as they have been in the past three months, still the fight of this last month of the campaign will be on the tariff issue. Slowly, but surely, the people all over the country are coming back to the tariff. No where is this so apparent as here in Can ton, where Major McKinley is making all of his speeches. Each successive speech, while reference is always made to the cur-rency question, is, nevertheless, more and more a tariff speech, and "open the mills and not the mints" will be the keynote of the October fight.

of the October fight.

Another thing that is noticeable here in Canton as the campaign is drawing to a close it the earnestness manifested by the republican leaders and managers in their endeavor to make the majority this fall so large and sweeping that it will set at rest once and for all this question of chang-ing the money standard of this country, which so demoralizes business every time it is raised. The republicans now are working for a majority; both a popular majority and one in the electoral college, that will settle the silver question, as far as the United States is concerned, forever. Major McKinley frequently refers to this in his speeches, and this is one of his greatest

The Fight in Twelve States.

Mr. Hanna started out to make his great west, which includes Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska and North and South Dakota. The hardest fighting of the campaign and the greatest efforts of the republicans have been put

forth in these states.

Missouri and Michigan are the only two of this number which are now regarded as doubtful, and in both these states, during October, the amount of work done will be

tremendous. Indiana, four weeks ago, was regarded by some republicans as shaky, but the sys-tematic work there of the last month has worked wonders, and a very conservative estimate is that Indiana will give the larg-

est majority to McKinley she ever gave to a presidential candidate. In Illinois, Chicago and Cook county have been the McKinley strongholds, and there has been talk of a McKinley majority there of 60,000. It was with this majority at first that the republicans expected to carry Illinois, but the campaign of education and oratory in southern Illinois, which has so often been called Darkest Egypt, has resulted in an almost wonderful change in the sentiment of the people. Capt. W. W. Peabody, vice president of the Baitimore and Ohio Southwest railroad, which runs through that section of Illinois, made a trip through there a week ago. Capt. Peabody is a very clear-headed political observer and he says that he is absolutely sure that McKinley's majority in southern Illinois

will be, proportionate to the population, as large as his majority in northern Illinois. Kentucky Claimed for McKinley. Kentucky is now conceded by many of the democrats to McKinley. Gen. Buckner, himself, has recently stated that there

was no doubt whatever about McKinley carrying Kentucky. Iowa and Wisconsin have been firmly within the republican column for some time. The farmers of Iowa have been doing

more reading on the financial question than any class of men in any state in the Union. They have demanded both sides and have not been satisfied with any but the most able treatment of the question. The result has been an enormous increase in the membership of republican clubs and a clearly apparent strengthening of the republican organization all along the line. In the congressional district which in-cludes Duluth, in Minnesota, no one would have said two months ago that Charley Towne, the free silver republican, who has long represented that district in Congress, and who was considered stronger in his and who was considered stronger in his district almost than any other Congressman in the country, could be defeated, and yet reports from there show that the sound money republican candidate will probably be elected. This is characteriotic of the strength the gold sentiment is gaining all through Minnesota. The large elegant of Sendingvians throughout large element of Scandinavians throughout a man for gold, and nothing can change

them.

Nebraska has been conceded so many times recently for McKinley and Kansas has such a powerful republican organization that little doubt is felt at Canton as to the vote of these two states will be Delegations Booked for This Month.

Over sixty delegations are booked to come to Canton this month, and this number will probably be increased 50 or 75 per cent. Next week there will be a delegation of 400 men from California here, and another large delegation from Denver, Colorado, and vicinity. There will be a delegation of

with your

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MRS. R. M. EVANS, 945 E ST. S.W., HAVING received the latest cuts, is prepared to repair and remodel seal garments. Capes and collarettes made to order. Carriage robes repaired. se9-Im* THAT TIRED, LANGUID FEELING AND DULL headache is very disagreeable. Take two of Carter's Little Liver Pills before retiring, and you will find relief. They never fall to do good. oc8 If you suffer from looseness of bowels or fever and ague, Angostura Bitters will cure you. Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons, sole manufacturers. Ask your druggist.

about 1,000 farmers from Missouri, and there is talk of a delegation from Minnesota. Tennessee will contribute a very large crowd, and there have even been frequiries from Texas as to what arrangement could be made to entertain a crowd from there. It will be the hunter routh of

from there. It will be the busiest month of the campaign, of course, and it is expected that Maj. McKiniey's best speeches will be made this month. THE PEAK OF THE TOWER.

How a Man Looks Earning His Daily Bread in Mid Heaven. Monday the last plank will be bolted to the steel peak of the post office tower, and the slaters begin their perlious task. Four men have been engaged in closing in the



roof of the tower, and their work has been necessarily slow. It is not exactly like making a hencoop on the ground-this to!!ing up 300 feet in mid-air. Slowly and surely, with constant risk of life, each piece of steel and timber has gone to its place, and bolt after bolt has been driven home, and the interval to the last and finishing stroke steadily lessened.

EXCITING CHASE.

Hard Effort to Get Away With Some Groceries. This morning, about 1.30 o'clock, there

was an exciting time on the streets besteen the Center market and Florida averue and 9th street. Three policemen and a fast horse attached to a wagon, in which a young man was seated, figured in the affair. The wagon belonged to Daniel R. Toombs, who keeps a grocery store at Brookland, and Edward Tyne, who is better known as "Reddy" Tyne, it is alleged, was seated in the wagon. According to the complaint made by the police, Toombs and Tyne drove to the market together, and while Toombs was in a lunch room getting something to eat, Tyne, it is charged, put in the wagon a barrel of apples and a barrel of potatoes, which he is charged to have taken from in front of a commission store.

When he drove out 9th street Policemen Warren and Oriant went in pursuit of him, and several shots were fired, but without the chase on a bleyde and rode all the way to Brookland, where he arrested Tyne. In the meanwhile Grocer Toombs had gone out in a buggy, and when Tyne appeared at the police station Toombs was also there. From Toombs the efficers took in the Police Court Monday.

ANTI-SALOON REVIVAL.

Series of Mectings Arranged at the Foundry Church. tween the Center market and Florida averue and 9th street. Three policemen and

Series of Meetings Arranged at the Foundry Church.

Beginning tomorrow evening and conthruing nightly until Sunday, October 11, there will be an anti-saloon revival conducted at Foundry M. E. Church, under ht in the twelve states of the central ducted at Foundry M. E. Church under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon League. The meetings will begin at 7:30 o'clock, and interesting programs have been prepared, including song service by a large choir, directed by Mr. Percy S. Foster, and addresses by well-known temperance advocates and workers in the league. Many leading religious organizations will participate in the exercises

ON THE UPPER POTOMAC.

Crops Washed Away by the Flood and Other Property Damaged. A special from Frederick, Md., dated the

2d, to the Baltimore Sun, says: From 12 o'clock Wednesday night up to 16 o'clock Thursday morning the Potomac river at Point of Rocks, Frederick county, rose twenty-nine feet. The freshet has inundated noiles of country along the Baltimore and Ohlo railroad, doing great damage to property between Harper's Ferry and Boyd's station along the Metropolitan

For many miles the river and canal are one vast tody of mad, rushing water. The freshet is carrying down thousands of shocks of corn, portions of dwellings, sta-bling, buggles, light wagens, canal boats, trees, chicken coops, lumber, fencing and everything of a movable nature that came in contact with the rising flood.

Twenty-five houses in the Point of Rocks neighborhood were entir ly surrounded and the first floors were covered with from two to three feet of water. Several small houses at the Point were moored by ropes to trees to keep them from floating off.
The county road leading from the high bridge was covered with five feet of water. and people going or coming from Lees-burg, Va., were ferried for nearly half a

The tower-house at Washington Junction was surrounded by several feet of water. The Baltimore and Ohio trains between Washington Junction and Boyd's had to run through about one of two feet of water covering the tracks.

The western express from Washington, due at Washington Junction at 12:55, did not arrive until 5 o'clock p.m. By that time the water had commenced to recede.

Mr. Hickman lost his entire crop of about 200 barrels. John Cardo of near Licks-ville lost about 400 barrels. All the corn crops on the Islands of the Potomac were

entirely swept away. An Exciting Escape.

A colored man, driving a wagon belonging to Harry Sweeny, provision dealer, had a narrow escape from death this morning. He was crossing the car track at the cor ner of Pennsylvania avenue and 14th street about 10 o'clock, when train No. 205 of the Georgetown line swung swiftly around the curve and struck his wagon squarely on the side, knocking it several feet away and throwing the driver out on the roadway. Although he landed flush on his head, he old not lose his presence of mind and clung pluckliy to the reins, despite the fact that he was drawn between the shafts close to the heels of the thoroughly frightened horse, which was plunging and kicking wildly to effect his release from the wagon. The driver's position was extremely hazardous, and the spectators feared for his life; but he pluckly managed to work his way to the horse's head, and, by the exercise of wenderful strength, finally brought the excited animal to a standstill, notwithstand-ing the shafts were playing painfully about his legs with every movement. The driver and horse were badly bruised, but were able to proceed about their business. The wagor was sent to the repair shop, and the grip car will require an entirely new

Virginia Democrats Hear Mr. Hutchins.

The meeting of the Virginia Democratic Association, held last night, was attended by a very large and enthusiastic crowd, including the Bryan and Sewall Club of Alexandria, which came in a body. President H. L. Biscoe occupied the chair and intro-duced the speakers, the first of whom was Mr. Stilson Hutchins, who made a vigorous address in behalf of free silver that was loudly applauded. Speeches were also made by ex-Congressman Brookshire and others.

Broke the Mile Record.

Clinton R. Coulter yesterday rode a mile unpaced on the Denver, Col., Wheel Club's track in 1.59 1-5, heating the world's record of 2 2-5, held by Sanger.

BE COMBINED

Southern Railroad Will Possibly Purchase the Seaboard.

WOULD END THE TRAFFIC WAR

The Pratt Holding of Seaboard Stocks on the Market.

SOME DENIALS MADE

The Southern Railway Company has, according to reports which are being persistently circulated in railroad and kindred circles, received overtures for the purchase by it of a controlling interest in the Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, and the rumor finds many believers among those who have become convinced that a permanent peace between those two companies cannot be secured so long as the Seaboard occupies its present independent position in the railway world.

It is true that President Spencer of the Southern has declared within a quite recent period that the Southern did not want the Seaboard, and that when approached on the subject of a sale of the majority of the stock of the first named corporation to the latter he refused to consider it; but times have changed since then, and there are at this time many persons who think it better to secure lasting peace at almost any price, provided the transaction be honorable on both sides, than that there should be any further demoralization of rates, which is certain to occur if the present truce is

Again, it is quite evident that unless peace can be obtained, there will be al-mest constant interference in the future with the tariffs by various courts, and there is not a railroad company in the country that is not averse to any one hav-ing a say as to how its business ought to be conducted outside of those immediately connected with its own management

Valuable Road.

While, as stated by some of the Southern's officials, their company has no use for the Seaboard Air Line, and does not desire to acquire it, the fact cannot be ignored by any unbiased person that the Seaboard could be made a very valuable

board by the Southern is that since the time Mr. Spencer declared that the company of which he is the head did not want the Scaboard, Mr. Enoch Pratt of settlement. Mr. Pratt was said to be one of the largest if not the largest individual holder of Seaboard securities, and it was a matter of pride with him not to part with any stock which he had once purchased.

By the terms of his will, however, a large portion of the proceeds of the sale of his estate are to be given to a hospital bearing his name, under certain contingencies, and to comply with the direction left by Mr. Pratt, the Seaboard stock will, it is said, have to be sold.

An Offer. Within the past day or two the Merchants' Trust and Deposit Company of Baltimore, of which Mr. Pratt's executor is, it is understood, a director, has made offers for an option on the stock of the Seaboard, and, it is said, has agreed to pay \$100 per share, provided a controlling interest can be secured by it. As the stock is now quoted at \$45 a share, though it only received a bid of \$40 a share in the open market yesterday, it requires no argu-ment to prove that an offer of \$100, which is practically an advance of 150 per cent on the present ruling price, is very flatter-ing, and might be considered so tempting

by many holders that they would be in clined to accept it.

Gen. John Gill, president of the Mercantile Trust Company, which, as above stated, is said to be trying to buy the stock, is also a large holder of Seaboard stock, as are also the heirs of the late Samuel M. Shoemaker and the president of the road, Mr. R. Curzon Hoffman.

R. Curzon Hoffman.

The Baltimore Steam Packet Company, which started the present suspended rate war, is now operated by the Seaboard, but it is a separate concern. Its stock is quoted at \$1,000 a share, and there is none, so far as known, for sale.
Seaboard officials who ought to be conversant with the facts of the reported deal dery that there is any truth in the rumors, and say the talk is simply a revival of the reports of a contemplated purchase of the Seaboard by the Southern which prevailed

several weeks ago. But, as above stated, a great many other equally well posted men assert that they believe the transfer of the smaller road to the larger is only a question of time, and a very short time at Should, however, the Seaboard pass into the control of the Southern, the war bethe control of the Southern, the war between the two lines would, of course, ceass, as the competition now existing on the Chesapeake bay would be done away with, as the control of the Seaboard would carry with it the control of the Baltimore Steam Packet Company, the Seaboard's connection between Norfolk and Portsmouth and Baltimore.

SCIENTIFICALLY EXPLAINED.

Why the Eyes of a Painted Portrait Follow the Observer.

Notes and Queries. Wollaston's curious discovery was that by adding to each pair of eyes a nose directed to the right or the left, the eves lose their front direction, and look to the right or left, according to the direction of the nose. By means of a flap representing the lower features in a different position, as Dr. Wollaston remarks, "a lost look of devout abstraction in an uplifted countenance may be exchanged for an appearance of inquisitive archness in the leer of a younger face turned downward and ob-

a younger face turned downward and on-liquely toward the opposite side."

As by changing the direction of the lower features we change the direction of the eyes, so by changing our position, the eye of the portrait apparently follows us. If a vertical line be drawn through the tip of the nose and half way between the eyes, there will be the same breadth of head, of cheek of chin and of neck on each side of cheek, of chin and of neck on each side of this middle line, and each iris will be in the middle of the whole eye. If we now move made of the whole eye. If we now move to one side, the apparent horizontal breadth of every part of the head and face will be diminished, but the parts on each side of the middle line will be diminished equally, and at any position, however oblique, there will be the same breadth of face on each side of the middle line, and the iris will be side of the middle line, and the iris will be in the center of the whole of the eyeball, so that, being on a flat surface, the iris will be seen in front of the picture or obliquely.

Matabele Rebels Routed.

The district on the Mazoe river, in Matabeieland, where there was serious fighting for three days, and where a British force was hemmed in for ten hours by a strong force of natives, has now been cleared of rebels, and their caves have been blown up.

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